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To the Joint Commission on Scientific and Technical Cooperation: US-USSR Working Group on Forestry

> New Orleans, Louisiana November 7, 1975

In accordance with the Agreement between the Governments of the US and USSR for Technology, signed on May 24, 1972, and as part of the follow-up on decisions of the first meeting of the Soviet-American Working Group in Forestry reached on September 7, 1973, in Moscow, a meeting of experts in harvesting and reforestation was held.

The Working Party participants were as follows:

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1. The specialists on harvesting and reforestation met in Washington, D.C. on October 28 and considered:

- (a) The Forest Service organization.
- (b) Cooperation between the USSR and the US in the area of reforestation and afforestation including site preparation, planting, thinning, and breeding of woody species. In the future it would be rational to have exchanges of specialists and information on shelterbelts, breeding, and an exchange of woody species seeds.
- (c) Cooperation in the area of harvesting including equipment development, field practices, and transportation of forest crops.

- 3. The Soviet delegation expresses thanks to all the people who helped develop and carry out the program of travel throughout the Southeastern United States.
- 4. Both sides agreed that cooperation in the fields of harvesting and reforestation is mutually beneficial and steps should be taken to continue the exchange of scientific specialists and information and also to define future program objectives.
- 5. Both sides commend the business-like and friendly atmosphere under which the current exchanges took place in Washington, D.C. during the travel of the delegation, and at the close-out session in New Orleans.

The minutes are recorded and signed in New Orleans, Louisiana, November 7, 1975, in two copies in English.

Leader of the Soviet Delegation

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